ABSTRACT

The present invention provides an oral preventive or therapeutic agent for skin damage, containing diacylglyceryl ether as an active ingredient represented by the formula (I):

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
H_{2}C - O - R^{1} \\
 & | \\
R^{2} - O - CH \\
 & | \\
H_{2}C - O - R^{3}
\end{array}$$

wherein R^1 denotes C_{12-24} aliphatic hydrocarbon group having a degree of unsaturation of between 0 and 2; R^2 denotes C_{12-24} acyl group having a degree of unsaturation of between 0 and 6; and R^3 denotes C_{12-24} acyl group having a degree of unsaturation of between 0 and 6.